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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

**SUBJECT: Sprague Committee Consideration of
Support for the U. S. Representative on
Military Armistice Commission in Korea**

1. This memorandum is for the information of the DCI.

2. At the meeting of the Sprague Committee on 12 July, the representative of the Defense Department referred to periodic meetings which take place between an officer representing the UN Command in Korea and a representative of the North Korean Forces. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss allegations of subversive activity and propaganda carried on in North Korea or South Korea by the opposing forces in violation of the terms of the treaty. The point was made that the U. S. representative (a general or flag officer) assigned to this duty for periods averaging approximately six months is inadequately briefed or informed with respect to communist subversive or propaganda activity in South Korea. You asked me to investigate this problem and see what the Agency could do to provide the U. S. representative with appropriate information.

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4. I am relaying the sense of the foregoing to Mr. Knight, who attended the meeting of the Sprague Committee on behalf of the Defense Department, and will inform you if the Defense Department

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has any further comments or suggestions. I gather, however, from Desmond FitzGerald, with whom I discussed the matter, that we are doing about all that can be done to provide support for these negotiations.



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